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SUBJECT: TEXTILES: PEACE RESTORED IN TSB

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1. AS PER PARA 11 REFTTEL, US REP PLEASED REPORT THAT, AS
RESULT INTENSIVE INFORMAL INTERNAL CONSULTATIONS FOLLOWING
ABORTIVE THIRTY-THIRK TSB SESSION, CERTAIN UNDERSTANDINGS
HAVE NOW BEEN REACHED WHICH SHOULD PUT BODY BACK ON COURSE.
BELIEVE THAT ALL MEMBERS WERE MORE OR LESS FRIGHTENED BY
TURN OF DEBATE AT LAST SESSION AND ALL MEMBERS NOW AGREE
SESSION SHOULD HAVE BEEN ADJOURNED BEFORE DISCUSSION "WENT
CRITICAL."

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2. THREE DEVELOPMENTS HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO CLEARING AIR.

FIRST: ON FEB 12 PAK AMBASSADOR HERE INFORMED EC MISSION (LUYTEN) THAT PAKISTAN REGRETTED THAT DISCUSSION EC-PAK BILATERAL HAD RESULTED IN DANGEROUS CONFRONTATION; THAT PAKISTAN DISASSOCIATED ITS OWN POSITION FROM THAT ASSERTED BY HAMZA (EGYPT), BARONA (MEXICO) AND BARNETT (JAMAICA); AND, FINALLY, THAT PAKISTAN WAS FULLY SATISFIED WITH TERMS OF BILATERAL AND WITH EC REP'S VERBAL ASSURANCE THAT EC WOULD CONSULT WITH PAKISTAN BEFORE ANY ADJUSTMENTS EFFECTED IN MEMBER STATE QUOTAS SPECIFIED IN BILATERAL. US REP HAS SUBSEQUENTLY LEARNED THAT EC PERM REP LUYTEN, IN TALK AFTER SESSION WITH HAMZA AND HIS PAK ALTERNATE (PARA 9 REFTEL), HAD STRONGLY INTIMATED THAT, SHOULD TSB ACCEPT ARGUMENTS OF EXPORTING COUNTRY REPS, EC WOULD HAVE TO CONSIDER DENUNCIATION AND RENEGOTIATION OF EC-PAK BILATERAL (WHICH IS LAST THING PAKISTAN WANTS). THUS, PAK APPROACH TO EC REPS HERE EFFECTIVELY REMOVED THE CAUSUS BELLI. EC REP TOLD US REP FEB 17 THAT, IN CIRCUMSTANCES, HE DIDN'T THINK COMPROMISE LANGUAGE WORKED OUT BY US REP (PARA 10 REFTEL) WOULD BE NECESSARY BUT, SHOULD IT PROVE OTHERWISE, HE THOUGHT LANGUAGE WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO EC.

3. SECOND DEVELOPMENT WAS MEETING CALLED BY HAMZA (PARA 10 REFTEL) FEB 13 WITH BARONA, BARNETT, INDIAN AMB CHADHA, HONG KONG REP MILLS AND PAK REP. ACCORDING HAMZA, CHADHA TOOK LEAD IN; A) LECTURING BARNETT AND BARONA ON PROPER CONDUCT IN TSB; AND, B) POINTING OUT THAT FORMATION "DEVELOPING COUNTRY BLOC" IN TSB WAS DEFINITELY NOT IN INTEREST DEVELOPING EXPORTING COUNTRIES SINCE THIS WOULD ONLY GUARANTEE POLARIZATION OF OTHER SIDE WHICH WOULD RENDER TSB IMPOTENT AND, THEREFORE, OF NO USE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. CHADHA AND HAMZA STRONGLY URGED BARONA TO CALL ON CHAIRMAN WURTH SOONEST AND TO "MAKE PEACE" IN ANY APPROPRIATE WAY. THIS BARONA AGREED TO DO.

4. THIRD DEVELOPMENT WAS BARONA CONTACT WITH WURTH NEXT DAY (FEB 14) WHEN HE MADE WHAT WURTH DESCRIBES
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AS "CONTRITE STATEMENT SHORT OF AN APOLOGY" (WHICH WURTH REPORTEDLY HAD DEMANDED). ACCORDING WURTH, BARONA SAID HIS INSTRUCTIONS WERE SIMPLE: "TO DEFEND TO BEST OF HIS ABILITY ANY AND ALL INTERESTS OF DEVELOPING EXPORTING COUNTRIES." BARONA DID CONCEDE THAT, PERHAPS, HE HAD COME ON TOO STRONG. IN ANY EVENT BARONA AND WURTH WILL BE LUNCHING TOGETHER PRIVATELY FEB 19 WITH VIEW TOWARD EDUCATION, UNDERSTANDING AND RECONCILIATION.

5. WITH DUE REGARD TO PROPHETIC VALIDITY NEVILLE
CHAMBERLIN'S REMARKS UPON HIS RETURN FROM MUNICH, US
REP HOPES THAT TSB WILL NOW HAVE PEACE IN ITS TIME (AT
LEAST FOR THIS YEAR). DALE

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